

Review of Recent Wildfire-related Legislation  
WILDFIRE MATTERS REVIEW COMMITTEE  
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This is a list of wildfire-related legislation in Colorado, adopted by the General Assembly between 2006 and 2013. Bills are sorted by category, with some duplication where bills cover more than one topic. Where specifically noted, this list also includes certain bills that were considered prior to 2006 or were not adopted by the General Assembly.

#### LOWER NORTH FORK WILDFIRE COMMISSION

- SB 13-082 (Wildfire Matters Review Committee; sunset LNFWC)
- SB 13-083 (Prescribed fires; require certified burn manager for certain prescribed fires)
- HB 13-1012 (Extend wildfire mitigation tax deduction and CWRPDA forest health bonds)
- HB 13-1031 (All-hazards Resource Mobilization; inventory firefighting/disaster resources)

#### OTHER 2013 BILLS

- SB 13-110 (Wildland Fire Cost Recovery Fund)
- SB 13-245 (Colorado Firefighting Air Corps)
- SB 13-269 (Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program)
- SB 13-270 (Wildfire Preparedness and Wildfire Emergency Response Funds)
- SB 13-288 (additional payments under CGIA)
- HB 13-1294 (Judicial Department is a "public entity" under CGIA)

#### STUDIES/COMMITTEES

- HB 07-1130 (Forest Restoration Pilot Program Technical Advisory Panel)
- SB 08-039 (Wildland-Urban Interface Training Advisory Board)
- SB 08-071 (extend Forest Restoration Pilot Program Technical Advisory Panel)
- SJR 08-025 (Interim Committee on Wildfire Issues in Wildland-Urban Interface Areas)
- SB 11-267 (Colorado Forest Biomass Use Work Group)
- HB 12-1352 (Lower North Fork Wildfire Commission)
- SB 13-082 (Wildfire Matters Review Committee)
- SB 13-245 (CFAC feasibility study)
- SB 13-269 (Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program Advisory Committee)

#### STATE GOVERNMENT

- HB 00-1283 (fire management by governmental agencies)
- SB 06-096 (annual state wildfire preparedness plan, report on fund)
- HB 07-1130 (Forest Restoration Pilot Program)
- SB 08-039 (Wildland-Urban Interface Training Program)
- SB 08-071 (extend Forest Restoration Program)
- SB 09-001 (state guidelines for community wildfire protection plans)
- HB 09-1199 (Healthy Forest Vibrant Communities Act)
- SB 10-102 (training and certification standards for certified burn managers)
- HB 12-1283 (reorganization of homeland security/wildland fire – CSFS and CDPS)
- SB 13-083 (responsibilities of Division of Fire Prevention and Control)
- SB 13-245 (Colorado Firefighting Air Corps)
- HB 13-1031 (wildfire functions in Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Mgmt)

## FOREST HEALTH

- HB 07-1168 (forest improvement districts)
- HJR 08-1033 (request assistance with bark beetle under Federal Healthy Forests Restoration Act)
- SB 11-110 (county open burning slash permit system)
- SB 13-269 (Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program)

## FUNDING – MITIGATION AND RESPONSE

- HB 02S-1025 (establish Wildfire Emergency Response Fund)
- SB 06-096 (create Wildfire Preparedness Fund; uses of Wildfire Emergency Response Fund)
- HB 07-1130 (\$1M for Forest Restoration Pilot Program)
- SB 08-071 (extend Forest Restoration Pilot Program to 2012)
- SB 08-221 (CWRPDA \$50M bond authorization)
- HB 08-1110 (income tax deduction for wildfire mitigation)
- HB 08-1318 (create Beetle Mitigation Fund)
- SB 09-105 (remove limits on county property tax for wildfire mitigation response)
- HB 09-1199 (\$6M for Healthy Forests Vibrant Communities over three years)
- SB 11-238 (extend Wildfire Preparedness Fund transfer from severance tax to FY 2013-14)
- HB 12-1032 (extend certain severance tax funding to FY 2017-18)
- SB 13-110 (technical fix Wildland Fire Cost Recovery Fund)
- SB 13-269 (\$9.8M for Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program)
- SB 13-270 (\$500,000 to Wildfire Preparedness Fund)
- HB 13-1012 (extend wildfire mitigation tax deduction and CWRPDA bond authority)

## LIABILITY – CRIMINAL AND CIVIL

- HB 02S-1006 (new wildfire crime and increased penalties for setting wildfire)
- SB 09-013 (emergency responder civil immunity, including firefighters and FPDs)
- HB 12-1361 (waive Colorado Gov't Immunity Act for certain prescribed burning activities)
- HB 13-1294 (technical fix Colorado Governmental Immunity Act)
- SB 13-288 (technical fix Colorado Governmental Immunity Act)

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- HB 00-1283 (fire management by governmental agencies)
- HB 02S-1006 (municipalities may prohibit or control any fire)
- HB 07-1168 (authorize Title 32 forest improvement districts)
- SB 08-039 (WUI Training Program)
- SB 09-001 (encourage counties to develop Community Wildfire Protection Plans)
- SB 09-020 (sheriff's authority in wildfires; require Community Wildfire Protection Plans)
- SB 09-021 (tuition vouchers for volunteer firefighters)
- SB 09-105 (remove limits on county property tax for wildfire costs)
- HB 09-1162 (intergovernmental agreement required between gov't land owner and counties)
- HB 11-1317 (extend HB 09-1162 deadline to July 2013)
- SB 11-110 (county open burning slash permit system)

## OTHER BILLS – NOT ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- LNFWC Draft Bill 5 (wildfire mitigation standards in county development regulations)
- SB 12-180 (encourage use of forest biomass)
- HB 12-1004 (beetle kill timber allowed for stud grade applications in building codes)
- SB 09-018 (High-risk Communities Wildfire Mitigation Grant Program)
- HB 09-1031 (require state to match aggregate of local contributions to Emergency Fire Fund)
- SB 09-016 (5-year BPP tax exemption for beetle kill timber equipment, also start-up loans)